WHAT IS THE IDAHO ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM

On January 2, 2009, the process for filing a death certificate in the state will undergo a major change when the Bureau of Vital Records implements the Idaho Electronic Death Registration System (EDRS). The primary purpose of an EDRS is to enable the participants of death registration to file death records with the State Registrar electronically. The EDRS provides for on-line access so that decedent fact-of-death and cause-of-death information can be registered by multiple death registration participants working on the same case. The development of the EDRS will provide you and your staff with a tool that results in a considerable amount of time savings in the completion of the death certificate, and families will be better served by receiving certified copies of death certificates in a quicker and more accurate manner.

KEY FEATURES OF THE IDAHO ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM

✓ Provides for the paperless filing of a death record, eliminating the hassle of coordinating schedules among funeral home personnel and medical staff to collect signatures.

✓ The expedited filing of the death certificate will better serve family members by providing them with certified copies of the death certificate in a timelier manner.

✓ Supports the completion and filing of a death record that is partially an electronic record and partially a paper certificate if all participants are not on-line.

✓ Improves fraud prevention by using electronic authentication through the use of an electronic PIN certification.

✓ Provides the capability to electronically order certified copies for the family at the time of filing.

✓ Electronic notification eliminates the need for participating Funeral Homes to submit the 24 hour Report to the Local Registrar.

✓ Incorporation of the Social Security Administration's Online Verification of Social Security Number interface will verify the accuracy of the decedent's SSN prior to filing.

✓ System availability 24 hours a day, seven days a week

✓ On-line help and instructions built into the system

✓ A help desk support team will be available to assist funeral home staff with any questions or problems encountered while navigating through the application.

✓ Facilitates on-line collaboration among multiple death registration system users (morticians and funeral directors, physicians, physician assistants, county coroners, advanced practice professional nurses, and state and local registrars).

✓ User friendly data entry screens

✓ Highly secure internet transmission

✓ Allows for the printing of the Authorization for Final Disposition – Transit Permit form.

✓ System edits and cross-checks will significantly reduce the number of rejections and queries.

HOW TO BECOME A PARTICIPANT IN THE EDRS

Please contact our field staff members Greg Heitman (208) 334-5986 or Jeremy Peterson (208) 334-5989 (or email us at idahoedr@dhw.idaho.gov) to acquire your electronic credentials for participation in the Electronic Death Registration System.

You can keep updated as to the status of the project by visiting our website at http://www.edr.dhw.idaho.gov.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

1.0 GHz PC with 512 MB RAM (or higher)

Windows 2000, Windows XP SP2 (32 bit operating system)

Web Browser (Internet Explorer 5 or greater)

Server access via DSL or greater

At least 800 x 600 resolution with 256 colors

17 inch monitor recommended

A Windows compatible laser printer

Adobe Acrobat Reader

Macromedia Flash Player

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